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The Union Hospital

of

Terre Haute, Indiana



A Record of Service
During the Past Twenty Years

1910-1930



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With the Annual Report for the Year 1929

Foreword

THE Union Hospital is a community asset and a community responsibility. Contrary to the belief held in certain quarters, the Hospital is not owned by the doctors. Neither is the Court House owned by the attorneys, although it is likewise their workshop. The physicians have contributed toward the erection of the Hospital more than any other class in proportion to their income. It is fair to presume that if the Court House were to be built by popular subscription, the lawyers would contribute in the same proportion, but luckily for them it is not done that way. The Union Hospital is a non-sectarian institution, incorporated as not for profit under the laws of the State of Indiana and managed by a board of twenty-one directors who serve without pay. The Union Hospital Association holds all property and funds in perpetuity and is composed of persons who contribute \$5.00 or more annually. The Hospital serves three classes of patients: (1) Private room patients, able to pay the full cost of maintenance; (2) Part pay or semi-private room patients, able to pay only a part of actual cost; (3) Charity patients unable to pay anything. The same food, nursing, same linen and drugs are given to all classes of patients.

RULES

Room rates for private patients are payable one week in advance. Please do not ask us to make exceptions to this rule. Visiting hours: Private Rooms, 10:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m.; Wards and semi-private rooms, 2:00 to 4:00 p. m. and 7:00 to 8:00 p. m. Charity cases must be residents of Vigo County and will be admitted and treated only by physicians on the Staff. All physicians and dentists, who are members of the American Medical Association and American Dental Association, are permitted the privileges of the Hospital.

EARLY HISTORY

The origin of the Hospital centers about three dates. The first is August 11, 1892, when records now on file show that patient Number One entered what was then known as the Terre Haute Sanitarium. In 1895 the Hospital was incorporated as the Union Home for Invalids, and in 1897 the name was again changed to the Union Hospital. The only building was a frame residence to which was added the brick structure still in use as the front part of the present old building. No one will ever be able to tell the full story of the courageous vision and the persistent labors of these founders and pioneers. In 1909 the frame home was torn down and a brick addition erected at a cost of \$40,000.00, containing the wards, operating room and several private rooms. Thus we find the hospital on January 1, 1910, just emerging from its former handicaps, built on the foundations laid by its early friends.

RECENT HISTORY

- 1922 The New South Wing building erected, consisting of seven floors and basement. The first and second floors only were finished and occupied. Cost \$250,000.00. Amount raised by popular subscription, the largest gift being \$25,000.00 from Crawford and Edward Fairbanks.
- 1924 The third floor and basement of the South Wing containing the new kitchens and dining rooms, were finished and occupied. Cost \$50,000.00; amount raised by subscriptions. Capacity 24 beds. Total capacity, including the new baby ward and the industrial room opened up in the old building, 155 beds.
- 1926 Gift of \$30,000.00 from Miss Elizabeth Evans of New York City completed the fifth or Maternity Floor as a memorial to her father Dr. John Evans. Total capacity 178 beds.
- 1927 Completed the sixth (operating room and X-ray) floor by means of \$25,000.00 from Simon Levi estate and \$30,000.00 borrowed.
- 1928 Remodeled the oldest brick building increasing the number of semi-private rooms and creating an entrance lobby and business office. Total capacity 188 beds.



The Union Hospital in 1910.

The Board of Directors

Pres., Elmer F. Williams
 First V.-Pres., W. S. Roney*
 Sec. V.-Pres., Mrs. A. Arnold
 Secy., Miss Helen Condit
 Treas., A. Nicholas Smith*

Other Members

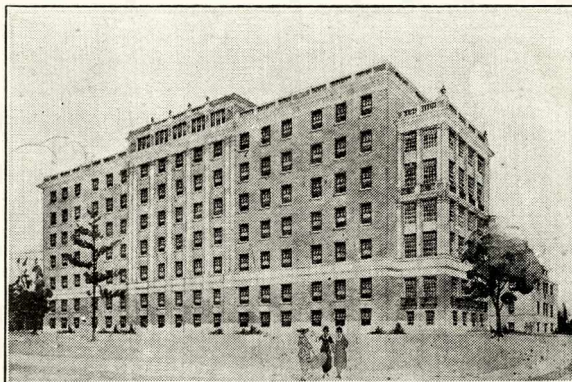
Mrs. Kate Gilbert*
 Lucius Lybrand*
 Mrs. M. N. Smith
 W. A. Hamilton
 D. Russ Wood
 Chas. W. Hoff*
 Mary Alice Warren
 Rose Farrington
 Mrs. Edgar Madison*
 Emil Froeb*
 H. E. Dodge
 Albert Allen
 Mrs. E. R. Bryant
 Mrs. Max Blumberg
 Mrs. L. S. Briggs
 Chas. E. McKeen

*Deceased.

Staff of Physicians

Stephen J. Young, M. D.*
 W. E. Bell, M. D.*
 E. S. Niblack, M. D.
 E. L. Larkins, M. D.*
 J. H. Weinstein, M. D.
 M. R. Combs, M. D.
 W. R. Mattox, M. D.*
 Chas. N. Combs, M. D.
 L. P. Luckett, M. D.*
 B. V. Caffee, M. D.*
 E. L. Mattox, M. D.
 E. W. Layman, M. D.*
 A. H. Caffee, M. D.
 J. R. Gillum, M. D.
 F. H. Jett, M. D.
 J. H. Cook, M. D.
 R. H. Leavitt, M. D.
 W. G. Crawford, M. D.
 J. R. Bloomer, M. D.
 O. O. Alexander, M. D.,
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*Deceased.



The Union Hospital in 1930.

Board of Directors

Meets Second Monday each Month. Annual, Second Monday in February.

Pres., Geo. M. Rynick
 First Vice-Pres., Dr. John White
 Sec. V.-P., Mrs. Helen Fairbanks
 Secy., Walter C. Clark
 Treas., Robert F. Nitsche

Geo. M. Rynick
 J. G. Van Winkle
 Mrs. Richard W. Benbridge
 F. Burch Ijams
 Mrs. Stuart Rose

1930-33

Mrs. A. Arnold (1895)
 Mrs. Max Blumberg (1905)
 Mrs. L. S. Briggs (1906)
 Mrs. E. P. Fairbanks
 Robt. F. Nitsche
 Mrs. Harry J. Cole, Jr.
 Mrs. Thos. J. Doherty
 Harry L. Arnold

1929-32

Miss Mary Alice Warren (1898)
 Miss Rose Farrington (1900)
 John White
 L. R. Whitney
 Sam'l D. Royse
 Conrad J. Herber
 Geo. Schaal
 Mrs. Wm. Root

1928-31

Miss Helen Condit (1898)
 Walter C. Clark
 John B. Wisely

Note: Those who have served during the twenty years covered by this report are marked with the date in parenthesis indicating the first year of service.

Staff of Physicians

Meets Second Wednesday each Month.

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| Pres., A. F. Knoefel | W. H. Miller, M. D. |
| V.-Pres., E. R. Baldrige | F. E. Sayers, M. D. |
| Rec. Secy., P. J. Bronson | Chas. Wyeth, M. D. |
| Secy., A. W. Cavins | H. L. Bernheimer, M. D. |
| Treas., S. C. Bradley | D. R. Ulmer, M. D. |
| E. S. Niblack, M. D. (1897) | C. E. Quinn, M. D. |
| J. H. Weinstein, M. D. (1898) | P. J. Bronson, M. D. |
| M. R. Combs, M. D. (1900) | E. T. Zaring, M. D. |
| Chas. N. Combs, M. D. (1903) | A. Utterback, M. D. |
| E. L. Mattox, M. D. (1905) | S. C. Bradley, M. D. |
| A. H. Caffee, M. D. (1906) | H. R. Vandivier, M. D. |
| J. R. Gillum, M. D. (1906) | E. O. Nay, M. D. |
| F. H. Jett, M. D. (1907) | J. J. Connelly, M. D. |
| J. H. Cook, M. D. (1907) | C. W. Asbury, M. D. |
| O. O. Alexander, M. D. | A. W. Cavins, M. D. |
| H. J. Pierce, M. D. | W. C. Anderson, M. D. |
| J. S. Shaffer, M. D. | E. R. Haslem, M. D. |
| H. W. Bopp, M. D. | C. S. Carmichael, M. D. |
| C. L. Luckett, M. D. | E. E. Hoffa, D. D. S. |
| Alfred Caffee, D. D. S. | M. C. Topping, M. D. |
| A. F. Knoefel, M. D. | W. D. Asbury, M. D. |
| E. R. Baldrige, M. D. | E. J. Hunt, M. D. |
| A. M. Mitchell, M. D. | W. G. Crawford, M. D. |



Hospital Personnel

In 1910

Charles N. Combs, M. D., Superintendent
 Ethel L. Chisholm, R. N., Superintendent of Nurses
 Sarah J. Elliot, R. N., Matron and Dietitian
 Minnie M. Johnson, R. N., Head Surgical Nurse
 Julius Kellams, Operating Room Orderly

In 1930

Charles N. Combs, M. D., Superintendent
 Rosetta M. Graves, R. N., Supt. of School of Nursing
 Flora E. Wolbach, R. N., Instructress
 Josephine Laughton, Dietitian
 Margaret Anderson, R. N., Surgical Supervisor
 Adah McMullen, R. N., Procedure Supervisor
 Bessie Small, R. N., Floor Supervisor
 Mable Cook, R. N., Obstetrical Supervisor
 Margaret Hill, R. N., Floor Supervisor
 Ruth Hutchens, R. N., Night Supervisor
 Avis Johnson, R. N., Night Supervisor
 Georgia Bonenberger, R. N., Laboratorian
 Mrs. Laura Black, Matron
 Ernest R. Williams, Cashier
 Reba Adams Randolph, Record Librarian
 Senta Randel, Stenographer
 Julius Kellams, Chief Engineer
 Mary Walker, Admittance Clerk
 Thelma Kelly, Admittance Clerk

A Comparison of Bed Capacity in 1910 and 1930

| | Private | Semi-Private | Free Ward | Bassinettes | Total |
|------------|---------|--------------|-----------|-------------|-------|
| 1910 | 22 | 15 | 24 | 14 | 75 |
| 1930 | 76 | 51 | 40 | 21 | 188 |

GROWTH OF THE HOSPITAL

| | 1910 | 1915 | 1920 | 1925 | 1929 |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|
| Number of Patients admitted..... | 794 | 1347 | 1758 | 2788 | 3826 |
| Average daily No. of patients..... | 39.8 | 46.7 | 60.1 | 84.9 | 111.7 |
| Largest No. of patients at one time | 48 | 64 | 76 | 117 | 149 |
| Average stay in Hospital (days)... | 14.2 | 12.6 | 12.5 | 10.9 | 10.4 |
| No. of surgical operations..... | 458 | 712 | 1242 | 1937 | 2701 |
| No. of Births..... | 39 | 61 | 95 | 179 | 279 |
| Institutional Mortality Rate (excluding deaths within 48 hours)..... | 4.3 | 4.7 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 4.0 |
| No. Charity patient days..... | 2855 | 3078 | 1250 | 3901 | 6275 |
| Number pupil nurses..... | 14 | 26 | 30 | 48 | 63 |
| Total Hospital operating expenses.. | \$20,207.81 | \$29,602.75 | \$64,127.78 | \$122,302.42 | \$157,070.41 |

During the twenty years, there have been a total of
 40,718 patients admitted;
 26,853 surgical operations performed;
 2,422 babies born in the Hospital;
 179 Nurses graduated.

The Report of the President for 1929

IN presenting this report of the 35th Annual meeting of the Union Hospital Association, I recognize that words cannot adequately express the accomplishments of the past year. Each year of the Hospital has been marked by greater achievements and advancement, both in growth and in service to our people—from a small beginning we have grown into a big organization.

To give some small conception as to the growth of the Hospital and its use, the budget for 1930 is \$161,356.00, as against an expenditure in 1920 of \$63,650.00. Surely these figures definitely prove and emphasize that the Hospital is a going, growing institution.

Our aim has been and will continue to be "best service to every patient". While dealing with figures it might be well to again stress the enormous growth of Charity work and the burden carried by the Board.

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| In 1929 the cost of Charity patients was | \$23,442.00 |
| Received from City and County | 4,800.00 |

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| Net cost to the Hospital | \$18,642.00 |
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This has been a cause of considerable concern to the Board.

Another item which should be stressed is the growing imperative need of a Nurses Home. At present the Nurses are scattered, some in the Sheets Nurses Home, some in the Annex and some in the Old Building making the care and supervision expensive and hard to handle.

We cannot too strongly emphasize this need and urge every effort being put forth to get people in touch with the real situation—this worthy cause certainly demands a worthy response—that is funds sufficient to build a home to properly house and care for the young women who have set apart their lives to this sacred calling.

We now have \$5,500.00 (\$7,000.00 March 1, 1930) in the Nurses Home Fund. We will be glad to add any contribution to this amount, be it small or large. Pass on the word and let us see this Fund materially increased, if not finished in 1930.

We were called upon in April to suffer an irreparable loss in the death of our dear friend and worker Dr. John E. Sulger. Dr. Sulger was a member of the Board from November 13, 1911, and until failing health intervened, was one of the Vice-Presidents. We miss deeply his kindly counsel and cheering help.

On behalf of the Board:—We thank the Staff for all they have done in the interests of the Hospital and in furthering and maintaining highest standards. The Superintendents and Faculty for their faithful conscientious performance of duty and cheerful service. The various working societies who have freely given time, labor and furnishings. The Newspapers for their uniform consideration and courtesy. To all, too numerous to mention, who have done anything, much or little for the Hospital and aided it in its service to mankind. Our hope is, that 1930 shall see some dreams realized which shall result in the Hospital taking advanced steps in development and service.

GEORGE M. RYNICK, Pres.

The Report of the Superintendent of the School of Nursing

I BEG to submit the following report for the Union Hospital School of Nursing for the year ending Dec. 31, 1929.

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| Applications mailed to prospective students | 126 |
| Probationers entered | 34 |
| " left school | 12 |
| Pupil nurses first year | 52 |
| " accepted | 31 |
| " re-entered | 0 |
| " left school | 6 |
| " finished course | 26 |
| " died | 1 |
| " last of year | 50 |

The census of students on Dec. 31, 1929, was as follows:—

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|------------------------------------|----|
| Class of 1930 (Seniors) | 20 |
| Class of 1931 (Juniors) | 20 |
| Class of 1932 (Freshmen) | 10 |
| Class of 1932 (Probationers) | 18 |
| Total | 68 |

The total number on the staff is the same as in our last report, but there have been four changes during the year. In the operating room Miss Daisy Craver resigned as supervisor on March 23, 1929, and her place was taken by Miss Margaret Anderson, one of our own graduates.

On Sept. 1, 1929, Miss Jean Schahfer, Night Supervisor, resigned and two were appointed beginning their duties Sept. 1st, the two were Miss M. Ruth Hutchens and Miss Avis M. Johnson, both members of our 1929 class.

All but one of the twenty-five nurses who received diplomas last May have taken the State Board examinations and passed with creditable grades. The one who did not take them was married the day she finished but intends to take them in May.

It may be of interest to know that since March, 1928, when we started the Public Health Nursing Association affiliation, three of the nurses who had the course have been appointed on the regular staff and two are still there.

We wish to express our thanks and appreciation to all physicians who have given of their time in the class room and in the care of the students who were ill, and to all others who have in any way shown an interest in the school. In particular we wish to thank Dr. Ella B. Joslin, for the gift of the model of the Human Brain for teaching purposes and to the Grotto Band and those who helped in the lawn Social, which enabled us to purchase a portable mimeograph for the Instructor's office.

Respectfully submitted,

ROSETTA M. GRAVES, R. N.

Report of the Superintendent

TOWERING above all previous years, the activities and progress of the Hospital in the year 1929 established a new record, as will be seen from the accompanying statistical tables.

That the Hospital is pressing on towards still better service is reflected in the following notes concerning the different departments for the past year. In the administration department we installed the machine system of bookkeeping, which is already in use in all modern business houses. In the engineering department we installed last July automatic stokers at an expenditure of about \$3 500.00 and not withstanding the unusual severity of the winter we saved in actual money over \$400.00 in the six months. From the patients standpoint the benefit was even more striking, as we were able to maintain a more even heat with less complaints from the patients in the old building than ever before. In the maintenance and repair department we spent over \$2,000.00 in painting the outside of the building and in redecorating the interior. This is a much larger item than we ever expended before in a year and at the present time the buildings are in a very satisfactory degree of repair. About \$1,200.00 was spent in replacing miscellaneous equipment and \$3,500.00 was spent for the replacing of bedding and linen. In the housekeeping department the most notable change was the inauguration of a central linen room with centralized distribution on a basis of exchanging soiled pieces for clean pieces. We feel that the actual daily check of the linen inventory is worth while. We have installed steel lockers in the special nurses dressing room which adds to the convenience and lessens the fire risk. The X-ray department has been supplied with additional X-ray viewing boxes which were much needed. We have adopted the use of safety films and while this is an additional expenditure we are giving extra fire protection to our patients. We have added to our facilities an Oxygen apparatus for patients requiring this line of treatment.

We are indebted to the City Library for the service rendered the patients through the branch Library maintained here. In evidence of its popularity they report that in the month of July alone there were 1,495 books in circulation. This branch has now 1,000 volumes that are being constantly used. The Union Hospital Memory Shelf is an excellent plan for enabling individuals to add additional volumes in remembrance of loved ones.

The senior class of nurses of 1929 introduced the first volume of the nursing school annual and named it "The Stethoscope". This is quite an ambitious undertaking for a school of our size, and much credit should be given this class for its initiative. We believe that this furnishes a wonderful means of proper hospital publicity.

The week of May 12th, National Hospital Day was observed in the usual manner by having the luncheons of all the service clubs served here. We were happy to receive the word in October that our Hospital was continued on the fully approved list of the American College of Surgeons. In upholding the highest standards we extend

the use of the Hospital only to physicians and dentists who are members of the American Medical and American Dental Associations.

We respectfully submit fully itemized schedules of all of the expenses in connection with the Hospital and the report signed by the Treasurer shows the balance sheet at the end of the year. The budget has again been of the inestimable value in conducting the finances on a satisfactory basis controlling the expenditures within the limitations of the income.

Respectfully submitted,
CHARLES N. COMBS, M. D., Supt.

SERVICE RENDERED FOR YEAR 1929

| | 1929 |
|--|--------------|
| Census of Patients (last day previous year)..... | 90 |
| Patients admitted during year..... | 3,547 |
| Births during year..... | 279 |
| Total Patients Treated during year..... | 3,916 |
| Patients Discharged during year..... | 3,577 |
| Deaths during year..... | 263 |
| Census (last day present year)..... | 76 |
| Total Patients Days' Care..... | 40,753 |
| Maximum Census (Date) 2-19..... | 149 |
| Minimum Census (Date) 12-25..... | 66 |
| Average Daily Census..... | 111.7 |
| Average Patient Stay in Hospital Days..... | 10.4 |
| Mortality Rate..... | 6.7% |
| Deaths within 48 hours..... | 110 |
| Deaths Institutional..... | 153 |
| Institutional Mortality Rate..... | 4.0% |
| Operation—Number..... | 2,701 |
| Total Hospital—Operation Expenses..... | \$157,070.41 |
| Per Diem Per Capita Cost..... | \$ 3.854 |

COST BY DEPARTMENT

| | Expense 1929 | Per Capita per diem 1929 |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Administration Dept. | \$ 7,597.99 | \$.186 |
| Housekeeping Dept. | 16,110.55 | .395 |
| Laundry Dept. | 6,616.23 | .162 |
| Heat, Light & Power Dept. | 16,900.70 | .415 |
| Maintenance & Repair..... | 5,674.88 | .139 |
| Nurses Home..... | 1,443.43 | .035 |
| Nursing School..... | 18,352.57 | .450 |
| Pharmacy..... | 5,084.09 | .125 |
| Laboratory..... | 840.00 | .021 |
| X-Ray Dept. | 1,703.20 | .042 |
| Operating Room..... | 11,957.13 | .294 |
| Dietary Dept. | 55,070.75 | 1.447 |
| Uncollectable accounts charged off..... | 9,718.89 | .115 |
| | \$157,070.41 | \$3.854 |

LAUNDRY AND DIETARY DEPARTMENTS

| | |
|---------------------------------|---------|
| | 1929 |
| Number of pieces laundered..... | 740,776 |
| Cost per 100 pieces..... | \$.893 |
| | 1929 |
| Number of meals served..... | 227,713 |
| Cost per meal prepared..... | \$.242 |
| Cost per meal (food only)..... | \$.200 |

Report of the Treasurer

Balance Sheet as of December 31, 1929

ASSETS

FIXED

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Hospital Grounds | \$ 11,440.00 | |
| Nurses Home Grounds | 5,000.00 | |
| Hospital Buildings | 447,539.88 | |
| Nurses Home Buildings | 15,000.00 | |
| Hospital Equipment | 65,194.18 | |
| Nurses Home Equipment | 1,329.96 | \$545,504.02 |

CURRENT

| | | |
|--|-------------|-----------|
| Cash—Office and Checking Accounts..... | 463.26 | |
| Special Fund | 137.49 | |
| Maintenance Fund | 4,882.60 | |
| Baby Ward Fund | 387.88 | |
| Nurses' Home Fund | 5,457.76 | 11,328.99 |
| Patient's Accounts Receivable | | |
| Current | \$23,238.13 | |
| For Collection..... | 4,858.18 | |
| Total | \$28,096.31 | |
| Less Reserve.. .. | 4,819.39 | 23,276.92 |

MISCELLANEOUS

| | | |
|-------------------------|----------|--------------|
| Stores | 7,608.35 | |
| Insurance Prepaid | 1,646.72 | 9,255.07 |
| Invested Funds | | 92,459.62 |
| | | \$681,824.62 |

LIABILITIES

DEFERRED

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|---|--------------|
| B. & L. Mtge. Wab. S. L. & B. Assn. . . . | \$ 83,479.35 |
| B. & L. Ft. Harrison Savg. Assn. . . . | 1,651.48 |

CURRENT

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Accounts payable | 13,044.27 |
|------------------------|-----------|

CAPITAL

| | | |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| Net Worth | 583,649.52 | \$681,824.62 |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|

(Signed) R. F. NITSCHKE, Treas.

The Women's Auxiliaries or Furnishing Societies

While we appreciate the generosity of our citizens during our four building campaign years, one fact should not be overlooked; without the continuous year in and year out labors of the Women's Furnishing Societies, the Hospital could not maintain the forty beds set apart for the use of free patients. The usual number of charity patients is from twenty to thirty-five, but there are accommodations for forty as follows: Men's wards, twelve; colored men's ward, two; women's ward, twelve; colored women's ward, two; children's ward, five; maternity ward, six; isolation ward, one.

The Union Hospital Furnishing Society was organized in 1900 in the Sunday School room of the old Congregational Church. From then until 1910 they expended over \$1,000.00 for the use of the wards. In 1910 the officers were: President, Mrs. William Alder, vice-president, Mrs. George Wilson; secretary, Mrs. Curlista Rowan. During the past twenty years they have paid \$200.00 toward the furnishing of the Sheets Nurses Home, \$200.00 toward the completion fund and \$300.00 for the furnishing of Room 203, besides another \$140.00 for the maintenance of it. They are now accumulating a savings fund so that the interest will continue to maintain this room perpetually in their name. During the past seven years the society has purchased the material and manufactured for the Hospital's use 8,983 towels, an average of 1,283 each year. The officers in 1930 are: president, Mrs. L. D. Scott; vice-president, Mrs. Otto Hornung; secretary-treasurer, Miss Lena Rottman (for the past eleven years).

The North End Furnishing Society was organized in 1901. In 1902 they completely furnished the dining room. In 1909 they furnished and took charge of the women's charity ward. The officers in 1910 included Mrs. Marian Cowan, president; Mrs. Mary Elam, secretary. In 1922 the ward was re-furnished at a cost of \$500.00. In that year they furnished Room 202 at a cost \$300.00, in the name of Mrs. Marian Cowan. In 1925 they furnished Room 308 at a cost of \$550.00. In 1929 a two-bed ward for colored women was furnished and new pillows, silver, china, chairs, trays, towels, wash cloths, bath robes and gowns were placed in the women's ward. President, Mrs. C. Bartholomai; incoming president for 1930, Mrs. Minnie Shelby; secretary, Mrs. A. A. Smith.

The East Side Furnishing Society of the Union Hospital was organized Oct. 6, 1922, by eleven ladies who met at the home of Mrs. Anna Rector of 908 S. 16th Street. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lucy Hunt; vice-president, Mrs. Nell Benson; treasurer, Mrs. Anna Rector. The Society has furnished the men's ward with twelve beds, bedding, tables, chairs, screens, sheets, pillow cases, bath robes, bed slippers at a cost of over \$500.00. Also a colored men's ward has been furnished complete, with the same articles, as the other ward. A monthly treat of ice cream is served to the patients in both wards, by a committee of two ladies. Special attention is given both wards at Christmas time, by decorating Christmas trees and sending flowers. Room 506 on the fifth floor has been furnished by this organization at a cost of \$300.00. The regular meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month with an average attendance of forty-five members and a number of guests. The present officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Anna Godfrey; vice-president, Mrs. Emily Lock; treasurer, Mrs. Edith Fuestenberger; secretary, Mrs. Virginia Edmondson; assistant secretary, Mrs. Nell Benson.

THE UNION HOSPITAL ENDOWMENT FUND

A Perpetual Memorial to the Donors

For the purpose of insuring the future of the Hospital, to guarantee needed expansion and improvements, and to endow beds.

| Date | Donor | Amount |
|-----------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| July 1913 | James McGregor..... | \$50,000.00 |
| Jan. 1914 | Mrs. Elizabeth Mattox..... | 5,000 00 |
| Aug. 1915 | Mrs. Carrie B. Cook..... | 1,000.00 |
| Dec. 1917 | Spencer F. Ball..... | 1,000.00 |
| Mar. 1918 | Miss Margaret Tuell..... | 5,000 00 |
| May 1923 | Wm. C. Ball..... | 500.00 |
| Mar. 1924 | Mrs. Sarah Rose Bryant..... | 5,000.00 |
| Dec. 1924 | Enos Wade..... | 50.00 |
| Apr. 1925 | Mrs. Curlista Rowan..... | 7,000.00 |
| Dec. 1925 | Gilbert Spears..... | 2,500.00 |
| May 1927 | Mrs. Mary McKeen..... | 4,200.00 |
| May 1927 | Regina Lapp Silberman..... | 290.00 |
| Nov. 1928 | Isaac T. Pierson..... | 5,000 00 |
| Nov. 1929 | Miss Laura Smith..... | 5,000.00 |

In 1930 the Hospital will receive the William C. Arp trust fund amounting to over \$40,000.00. The income for this will be used, with certain stipulations, in defraying the hospital expenses of employees of the St. Louis Division of the Pennsylvania railroad.

Other large sums have been given to the Hospital, but were used in building and were not kept as endowments.

YOU CAN HELP THE UNION HOSPITAL BY

1. Remembering "The Union Hospital of Terre Haute, Ind." (Corporate Name), in your will.
2. Taking out a life insurance policy payable to the endowment fund.
3. Contributing to a fund of \$150,000.00 for a modern Nurses' Home. This fund now has the Charity Ball money of the last four years, amounting to \$7,000.00.
4. Furnishing a private room at a cost of \$300.00.
5. Maintaining a private room at \$40.00 per year.
6. Aiding any of the Hospital Furnishing Societies.
7. Paying \$5.00 a year for a membership in the Hospital Association.
8. Asking some high school graduate to enter the School of Nursing. Classes begin Sept. 1st.
9. Giving money to the Hospital on the annuity plan. This is of advantage to people who have retired and are living on invested funds. The Hospital is absolutely stable financially and will pay, during the life time of the benefactor, interest varying from five to seven per cent, depending upon the age. As there are no taxes this would be a net income. The principal sum would revert to the Hospital at death. Your money would be safe with no further care on your part, and the interest would be paid promptly. After your death the funds would be applied to the use of the Hospital in its humanitarian work according to your wishes.
10. Purchasing a piece of equipment or furniture needed in the care of the sick. The superintendent has a list of articles ranging in cost from \$5.00 to \$250.00.

